

VOLUNTOWN SELECTMEN'S MEETING
September 6, 2016

Meeting	A Meeting of the Board of Selectmen was held on Tuesday, September 6, 2016 at the Voluntown Town Hall. Mr. Sirpenski, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.
Selectmen Present	Robert A. Sirpenski, Tracey L. Hanson, Jack S. Wesa
Town Officials	None
Citizens Present	None
Approval of Minutes	
Motion	A motion was made (Jack Wesa/Tracey Hanson) to approve the minutes of the meeting held on August 16, 2016 as submitted. Motion Approved.
Citizens Comments	None
Correspondence & Announcements	
Fire Dept. Hum Vee	Mr. Sirpenski noted that the twenty year Hum Vee agreement with the State terminates Oct. 8, 2017. At that time, the vehicle is scheduled to be returned to the State. The Fire Dept. and the BOS are continuing to work with the State on the replacement and/or retention of the vehicle.
Outdoor Furnaces	Environment and Human Health, Inc. send a notice encouraging the Town to prohibit outdoor furnaces.
Charles Bursey	Mr. Bursey emailed the BOS regarding a Veteran's Tax Allowance and asked about an ordinance controlling the placement/maintenance of collection boxes in town. Mr. Sirpenski will reply.
Tammy Paradis	Ms. Paradis emailed the BOS regarding a blight ordinance, a bush on her neighbor's property and unregistered vehicles in the neighborhood.
PrepareCT	A booklet was forwarded to the Town from the Small Business Development Center which can be used as a "toolkit" to help community leaders, small businesses and others prepare for and recover from disasters and disruptions.
New Business	
Finn Beach	Mr. Wesa noted that signs regarding Service Dogs need to be posted at the beach. After speaking to on-duty personnel from the security company, Mr. Wesa also recommended the installation of two crosswalks and signs to help keep pedestrians safe when crossing from the parking area to the beach. Speed bumps were also discussed. The BOS agreed to address these issues before the next beach season.
Paving Bids	Mr. Sirpenski noted that the paving bids will be discussed under "Old Business" - Lakeside Terrace, Valley Drive and Tanglewood Lane.
Tax Refunds Motion	A motion was made (Tracey Hanson/Jack Wesa) to approve tax refunds to Debra Sposato and Daniel Bisset. Motion Approved.
Old Business	
Tri-Centennial Committee	Ms. Hanson distributed a draft mission statement for the Tri-Centennial Planning Committee and a discussion took place regarding the responsibility and coordination of the Committee with the BOS. Mr. Wesa submitted suggestions from his review of the previous draft and it was agreed that Ms. Hanson will complete the updates and forward the information to Board members in time for a vote at the next meeting.
Historic Building Commission	The BOS reviewed the final draft for the proposed Historic Building Commission and will forward it to the Town Attorney for review.

- Firehouse Property Mr. Wesa noted that he has been in contact with the State regarding the property the Firehouse is built on and wanted the board's permission to go forward with a possible land swap. The BOS agreed that he should continue.
- NECCOG Mr. Sirpenski spoke to Mr. Filchak who felt the Administrative Study for the town could begin within the next several weeks.
- NECCOG is continuing to work on the rescue billing ordinance for the Voluntown Fire Dept.
- Snowplowing/Sanding Motion A motion was made (Robert Sirpenski/Tracey Hanson) to award the winter sand bid to Doris Desjardin Sand & Gravel and the snowplowing/sanding bid to Heavy Duty Auto & Truck, Inc. Motion Approved.
- Lakeside Terrace Valley Dr., Tanglewood Lane Mr. Sirpenski reviewed the work being done on these roads by the Conn. Water Company. He noted that work is ongoing and after discussion with the Public Works Director and CLA Engineers, it was felt it would be to the Town's advantage to reclaim and pave Lakeside Terrace this fall and complete the paving of the other roads after they have settled over the winter. With a credit of approximately \$143,000 from Conn. Water towards paving and the yearly State appropriations the Town will be able to work on Wylie School, Campbell Mill, Gardner and Bassett Mill road this season.
- Forge Hill Bridge The State completed its inspection of the Forge Hill Bridge and noted that it continues to decline. It recommended the repair of the noted deficiencies in order to slow the deterioration. The bridge was given a "Fair" rating and the Board will look into repairs.
- Adjournment**
Motion A motion was made (Tracey Hanson/Jack Wesa) to adjourn the meeting. The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p.m. Motion Approved.

Respectfully submitted by:

Approved for distribution by:

Roxanne Gray, Admin. Asst. to the BOS

Robert Sirpenski, First Selectman